

**Minutes of the Meeting of Eakring Parish Council**

**Held in the Cator Hall, Eakring**

**At 7.30pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

**Present**

Councillor R Ford (in the Chair)

Councillors, T White, R Brown, J Pennicott and L Haslam.

**Also Present:** 2 Parishioners, PCSO Heather Sutton, PCSO G Sipson Cllr L Tift (District Councillor) and Cllr J Peck (NCC).

01/19 **Apologies of Absence**

Cllrs J Sweeney & M Curry (Personal Reasons)

02/19 **Variation of Order of Business**

It was **RESOLVED** to move Agenda Item 17 (Community Orchard) into Agenda Item 11 (Parish Council Plan)

03/19 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr R Brown declared an interest in items 12 (Cator Hall Purchase) & 16.1 (the Cator Hall).

Cllr Ford declared an interest in item 8c the Stenton's Croft planning application – 19/00224/FUL

Cllr Pennicott declared an interest in item 8c the Cherry Cottage planning application - 19/00196/FUL

04/19 **Public Participation**

Members of the public queried when the litter pick would be taking place and the clerk noted that information on the Great British Spring clean was in the correspondence. It was agreed to hold the Clean on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019** and see if a cake sale/ coffee event could be held after. The council will pick up bags for the litter to be collected into.

05/19 **Report from Police and/or County/District Councillors**

**County Councillor – John Peck**

Cllr Peck reported to the council that the annual budget had been set which would require an increase in council tax due to continued financial pressure and the pressure from adult social care and children's services.

Cllr Peck also reported that he had had a meeting with the senior engineer on the A614 project and that the Ollerton Roundabout designs had now been done along with Lowdham. The designs need to be sent to the Secretary of State. The Ollerton roundabout will be larger which will mean land will have to be purchased. All the feed in roads will be dual entry which will increase the flow and lessen the back up. £8 million is due to be spent and the work will take place mainly at night to minimise disruption. The project is a long term one with compulsory purchase and an expected 2022 completion. This should eventually help with the large growth coming to the area. Edwinstowe has 950 homes due to be built.

Cllr Ford updated Cllr Peck on the speed surveys due to take place in Eakring.

### **Newark and Sherwood District Councillor – Linda Tift**

Cllr Tift thanked Cllr Ford for attending the recent planning meeting. She reported that during the District council meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> February the District had also set its budget with a raise in council tax due to financial strain. At the meeting the District had also agreed to put in place a robust policy against slavery. Cllr Tift will update the council on it's progress. A draft Community Action plan had been put forward with a lot of things in for the Sherwood area and Cllr tift will keep the council updated and add thing to it where possible.

Cllr Tift reported that no candidate papers for the election will be issued until after the 4<sup>th</sup> Marc with formal campaigning to begin on the 18<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Police – Inspector Heather Sutton & PC G Sipson**

Cllr Ford issued his thanks to the police for attending the meeting.

Inspector Sutton introduced herself as the District Commander for Newark and Sherwood. Her patch covers Newark and all the villages over 250 square miles. She noted that Newark was given lots of attention and that 73 incidents had been recorded around this area with no crimes. PC Sipson from the Sherwood Neighbourhoods team was introduced, and it was suggested that if the village was having issues with speeding the police could assist in setting up a speed watch group and perhaps come to the village to monitor the situation with a speed gun.

Inspector Sutton reported that Ollerton Police Station is to remain open with the Beat Team located there. From the station to Eakring it is a 9-minute response time if required. Two unused police houses are to be sold in Ollerton and a shared hub between the police and the council would be the preferred future set up.

Cllr Ford asked about incidents in the village and inspector Sutton reported that there were no trends or patterns to the incidents with road traffic collisions not being unusually high. There have been no burglary's in the area but it was reported by a resident that there was an issue with quad bikes which PC Sipson can review if necessary. Inspector Sutton did note that not all crime is reported and that if anyone was having issues to let PC Sipson know.

The council thanked Inspector Sutton for her informative newsletters and PC Sipson gave the clerk his details to allow the council to contact him if necessary.

#### 06/19 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** after proposal by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Pennicott and agreed unanimously that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018

#### 07/19 To Determine if any items are to be moved into Confidential Session

It was determined that no items were of a confidential nature.

#### 08/19 Planning Applications

**Comments to be submitted to the District Council on the following applications.**

No	Application Number and Website Link	Description and Details	Applicant	Comments
1.	19/00105/LBC <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLO8YQLBHMA00&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLO8YQLBHMA00&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Single Storey Entrance Porch Extension and Single Storey Rear Extension to Form Canopy with Internal Alterations to Windmill to form new staircase and partitions for bedrooms	The Windmill Wellow Road Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DF	No Objection
2.	19/00104/FUL <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLO8YJLBHM900&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLO8YJLBHM900&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Householder application for Single Storey Entrance Porch Extension and Single Storey Rear Extension to Form Canopy with Internal Alterations to Windmill to form new staircase and partitions for bedrooms	The Windmill Wellow Road Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DF	No Objection
3.	19/00196/FUL <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PM8UN0LBHSJ00&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PM8UN0LBHSJ00&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Householder application to demolish conservatory and rear lean to extension and construct rear/side extension	Cherry Cottage Church Lane Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DH	No Objection
4.	19/00224/FUL <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PMGHR9LBHV200&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PMGHR9LBHV200&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Householder application to erect a detached triple garage	Stentons Croft Church Lane Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DH	No Objection However, the council would not want the garage to be turned into a dwelling in the future.

#### **Tree Planning – For information only**

No	Application Number and Website Link	Description and Details	Applicant
1.	19/00058/TWCA <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLBH1JLB0DL00&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLBH1JLB0DL00&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Removal of 5 No Ash trees - severely damaged	Cherry Lea Back Lane Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DJ
2.	19/00066/TWCA <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLD26ELBHIS00&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLD26ELBHIS00&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Remove completely 2 x Cherry trees on rear border	Ivalo Mill Lane Eakring NG22 0DL
3.	19/00133/TWCA <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLVU8NLB08700&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PLVU8NLB08700&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	T1 and T2 - Plane trees - Fell T3 - Fir tree - Fell T4 - Alder - Fell	The Beeches Main Street Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DD
4.	19/00210/TWCA <a href="https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PMCSIDLBHTO00&amp;activeTab=summary">https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PMCSIDLBHTO00&amp;activeTab=summary</a>	Ash Tree - reduce its height by 30% tree height reduction, with proportional crown width reduction	Church Barn Kirklington Road Eakring Nottinghamshire NG22 0DA

### Land Adjacent to Fish Pond Farm

Cllr Ford reported on his attendance of the planning committee on the 5<sup>th</sup> February where he spoke for 3 minutes against the application in its current form. The planning committee would also prefer 2/3-bedroom housing more in keeping with the village plan. The application decision was deferred for the moment and the planning department and developers have requested the council put forward their preferences. It was also noted that trees had been illegally removed from the site with no permission and then the application had claimed there were no trees on the site.

The Council **RESOLVED** to write to the planning department with their preferences for the development:

- 2/3 bed houses, semis or bungalows included,
- With sufficient off-road parking to avoid dangerous parking on the road,
- Care taken over the privacy issues for Fish Pond Farm,
- Any visual amenity issues to be resolved for the village and surrounding properties.

### 09/19 **Finance**

The Council considered the schedule of payments to be made.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED**, after proposal by Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Pennicott,

(1) That the schedule of bill payments detailed below be approved:

Cheque requests for February 2019				
Chq number	Supplier	Description	Budget Item	Total £
538	Cator Hall	Cator Hall Hire	Cator Hall Rent	30.00
539	R Brown	Christmas Event Catering	Comm. Arts/ Xmas	58.50
540	S Bacon	Election Training Reimbursement	Staff Training	7.50
541	S Bacon	Printer Toner	Office Expenses	34.98
542	NottsALC	Subscription 2019/20	NALC Subscription	101.48
				<b>232.46</b>

10/19 **Chairman's Announcements** (if any)

There were no announcements

11/19 **Parish Council Plan**

**Community Orchard**

Cllr Ford reported that a meeting had been held with Mr Parsons and the council had been offered land adjacent to the old school to be turned into an orchard. Mr Parsons is, very generously, prepared to do the hedging, sort the access and do the planting to the council's design. A list of ground rules had been issued in preparation for a formal contract stating that:

- the parish council must maintain the orchard,
- no access for any vehicles apart from machinery for maintenance,
- the orchard must be used only for quiet enjoyment
- no buildings to be put on the site; and
- no furnishings such as memorial benches ect.
- Beekeeping may be allowed provided it does not cause a nuisance to neighbours and all due care is taken to avoid danger.

The council also need to put forward a maintenance plan.

The clerk was asked to go back and query if a bench bought and placed by the council would be acceptable.

It was **RESOLVED**, proposed by Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Pennicott with 1 abstention, to accept the conditions, apart from the query regarding the benches, and move forward.

12/19 **Cator Hall Purchase Update**

The Clerk reported that she had been in touch with the solicitors and that they were almost ready to move forward with the sale. Cllr Brown reported that the diocese needed to have another survey done and to possibly advertise the hall for sale under the terms of its ownership by the church. Cllr Brown will return to the council and update them on this when he has more information.

13/19 **Lifesaver Training**

The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by Newark Community First Aid offering free lifesaving training if residents are interested in taking part. It was agreed to place it in the Echo and see if any residents are interested.

14/19 **Parish Clerk's and Councillor's update of matters in hand**

**Bilsthorpe Incinerator Environmental License Update:** The Clerk reported that there was no current update on the appeal at present.

**Wind Farm Update:** The clerk reported that she had received a letter notifying her that the financial management of the wind farm had been taken over by Reg Power Management.

**Flooding Issues with Drains and Gullies, Highways and Verges:** It was reported to the clerk that a drain was causing issues on Church Lane at the corner of Kirklington Road near to lamp post 3. The clerk will report this to get it fixed.

15/19 **Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies and Working Parties**

**Cator Hall:** Cllr Brown reported that there was a committee meeting organised for Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 4pm. It was also reported that the Community Post Office one day a week appeared to be going ahead with Royal Mail looking at perhaps putting a phone line into the Cator Hall.

**Recreation Ground:** There was no report from the committee. Cllr Ford noted that there was a lot of litter that needed picking.

16/19 **Mompesson's Cross Update**

Cllr Ford reported that he had nothing to report on Mompesson's Cross at present. Cllr Pennicott noted that the rails needed painting soon.

17/19 **Nottingham Roosevelt Memorial Travel Scholarship**

The Clerk updated the Council that the scholarship was available to people between the ages of 21 – 35 from Nottinghamshire wanting to further their education with a research project in the USA. It was agreed to place the information in the Echo to make residents aware.

18/19 **Election information**

The Clerk reported that she was to attend election training on the 14<sup>th</sup> February and that she would update the Council on what she had learned at the next meeting.

It was noted that the elections would be taking place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019. No forms from Newark and Sherwood District Council had been released yet but the Clerk will forward any information on to the Council when she receives it. It was agreed to put the elections in the Echo to make residents aware and encourage people to stand. The Clerk also will contact Newark and Sherwood District Council to see if she can get further information.

#### 19/19 Correspondence/Information

Correspondence was received from:

1. Keep Britain Tidy – Great British Spring Clean – 22<sup>nd</sup> March – 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019. The Council **RESOLVED** to hold a Litter Pick/ Spring Clean event on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April**.
2. Highways NCC – Service 28/29 Consultation – the consultation will be taking place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February between 10am-12pm at Southwell Library.
3. Cllr Brown – WEA Planning for Housing Course – It was agreed to wait until after the elections for any training for councillors.
4. NSDC – Warm Homes on Prescription – assistance with broken or faulty boiler repairs from the council to qualifying residents – the council will advertise this in the Echo.

#### 20/19 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 beginning at 7.30pm in the Cator Hall.

#### Confidential information

No Items were moved in to the confidential session

The meeting closed at 9pm